## In the United States Court of Federal Claims

## OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS No. 20-0877V UNPUBLISHED

WANDA OLIVER,

Petitioner,

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SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

Chief Special Master Corcoran

Filed: December 13, 2021

Special Processing Unit (SPU); Ruling on Entitlement; Concession; Table Injury; Influenza (Flu) Vaccine; Shoulder Injury Related to Vaccine Administration (SIRVA)

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Jeremy Fugate, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC, for Respondent.

## **RULING ON ENTITLEMENT**<sup>1</sup>

On July 17, 2020, Wanda Oliver filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, et seq.<sup>2</sup> (the "Vaccine Act"). Petitioner alleges that she suffered a right shoulder injury related to vaccine administration (SIRVA) after an influenza ("flu") vaccine received on October 23, 2018. Petition at 1. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

On December 13, 2021, Respondent filed his Rule 4(c) report in which he concedes that Petitioner is entitled to compensation in this case, noting that DICP has concluded that Petitioner suffered a right SIRVA as defined by the Vaccine Injury Table. Respondent's Rule 4(c) Report at 1, 3. Specifically, Petitioner had no recent history of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Because this unpublished Ruling contains a reasoned explanation for the action in this case, I am required to post it on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002. 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2012) (Federal Management and Promotion of Electronic Government Services). **This means the Ruling will be available to anyone with access to the internet.** In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), Petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, I agree that the identified material fits within this definition, I will redact such material from public access.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755. Hereinafter, for ease of citation, all section references to the Vaccine Act will be to the pertinent subparagraph of 42 U.S.C. § 300aa (2012).

pain, inflammation, or dysfunction of her right shoulder; the onset of Petitioner's pain occurred within 48 hours after receipt of an intramuscular vaccination; Petitioner's pain was limited to the shoulder in which the vaccine was administered; and no other condition or abnormality has been identified to explain Petitioner's right shoulder symptoms. *Id.* at 3-4. Respondent further agrees that Petitioner met the statutory requirements by suffering the condition for more than six months. *Id.* at 4.

In view of Respondent's position and the evidence of record, I find that Petitioner is entitled to compensation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Brian H. Corcoran

Brian H. Corcoran Chief Special Master